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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

8 United States of America,)

9 Plaintiff,)

No. 08-07202 M

10 v)

11 Damian Lopez,)
12 aka Damian Felix Lopez)
13 aka Damien Lopez,)

14 Defendant.)

ORDER

(Reentry After Deportation)


15 HAVING considered the Motion of the Defendant to allow the Government additional
16 time under the Speedy Trial Act to file an indictment, together with the Government's
17 Response, the Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting the extension outweigh
18 the best interest of the public and the Defendant in a speedy trial. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

19 In making this finding, the Court has considered each of the factors specified in 18
20 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B). In addition, the Court has considered the following:

- 21 1. Counsel has only recently been appointed;
- 22 2. The defendant earnestly wishes to review a plea offer if extended by the
23 government;
- 24 3. The defendant wishes to investigate possible defenses prior to considering the
25 government's plea offer;
- 26 4. The government's plea offer if accepted by the defendant and then the court,
27 would likely reduce defendant's exposure to a significant term of
28 imprisonment;
5. If the defendant does not timely accept the plea offer prior to indictment, the
government will withdraw said plea offer and any subsequent plea offer after
indictment would likely be less advantageous to the defendant;

- The Court therefore concludes that the ends of justice are best served by granting an extension of time to present the case to the grand jury and in excluding a period of thirty (30) days under the Speedy Trial Act. In making this determination, the Court has particularly taken into account that the failure to grant the Defendant's request "would deny counsel for the defendant . . . the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence." 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(B)(iv).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, the Government shall have an extension of thirty (30) days to file a timely Indictment. Excludable time shall begin to run on the 31st day after arrest for a period of thirty (30) days in which the Government may present the case to the grand jury.


Lawrence O. Anderson
United States Magistrate Judge